

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 26 Aug 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 27 Aug 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 25 Aug 2021 at 12:47 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for extent of low cloud on Thursday. Otherwise high for dry, settled weather for the next few days. Low confidence for extent of any low cloud over the weekend.

Headline for Thursday 26 Aug 2021: Morning cloud in the east, otherwise dry and bright

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 26 Aug 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
High Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m

Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Partly cloudy (night)	Clear night	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Clear night
Precipitation probability							
30%	20%	10%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%

Forecast for Thursday 26 Aug 2021

Weather: Extensive low cloud in the early hours and at first, this gradually thinning in the morning to leave a dry and mostly sunny afternoon. Some patchy low cloud may linger into the early afternoon on some northern upslopes of the ranges of far northern Sutherland and Caithness.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70%

Visibility: Poor in low cloud down to 500 to 700 metres in the morning in the north and east. Otherwise excellent visibility with great air clarity.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	14/17 E	12/16 NE	15/19 E	13/18 E	8/13 E	7/12 NE	8/12 E	11/17 E	11/17 E
900	13/16 E	10/13 NE	12/17 E	10/15 E	7/12 E	7/12 NE	8/12 E	11/17 E	11/17 E
600	8/12 NE	7/11 NE	8/12 E	8/13 E	7/12 NE	7/12 NE	7/11 NE	9/14 E	9/14 E
300	2/12 NE	1/9 NE	2/12 NE	2/10 E	2/10 E	2/9 E	3/9 E	6/14 E	7/14 E
Glen	4/10 NE	2/5 NE	5/11 NE	3/7 NE	3/6 NW	4/8 NW	5/10 NE	8/12 NE	8/11 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	12/10	11/9	10/8	10/7	12/10	13/11	12/11	10/8	9/6
900	12/10	12/10	11/8	10/8	12/11	13/12	13/11	10/8	9/7
600	14/12	13/12	12/11	13/11	15/13	16/15	15/14	12/11	11/9
300	14/14	13/13	13/13	15/15	18/18	19/19	17/17	12/11	10/9
Glen	16/16	15/15	15/15	18/18	20/21	21/22	20/20	16/15	14/13
Freezing Level*	3000m	3000m	3000m	3100m	3100m	3100m	3100m	3100m	3100m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Best of the cloud free summits will be across the west of the area. Noticeable wind chill on the highest tops under cloud cover.

Forecast for Friday 27 Aug 2021

Weather: Chance of some low cloud across the northeast at first, this lifting off the hills in the morning. Otherwise dry and sunny with a risk of sunburn. Becoming very warm across the west of the area.

Maximum wind: Northeasterly 10 mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90%

Visibility: Generally very good with great air clarity. Locally poor at first in the northeast with some patchy thin cloud above 750 metres

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 rising to 21 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 11 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits